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COUNTRY: (U) VENEZUELA (VE), COLOMBIA (CO)

SUBJ: [REDACTED]

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GUERRILLA ATTACK/ (U)

WARNING: (U) THIS IS AN INFO REPORT, NOT FINALLY

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DOI: (U) 830922

REQS: (U) M-4BX-21845, K-OSI-00046, U-UCR-42673,

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SOURCE: (U) LOCAL PRESS

SUMMARY: (C) REPORT FORWARDS NEWSPAPER PHOTOS OF
DAMAGE/GRAFITTI LEFT AFTER GUERRILLA ATTACK OF 17 SEP 83
IN SOUTHWEST VENEZUELA.

TEXT: 1. (C) PHOTOS PUBLISHED IN LOCAL PRESS

AFTER THE 17 SEP 83 GUERRILLA ATTACK

DTG 202121 SEP 83 AND

DTG 222128Z SEP 83) IN EL CUTIFI (0709N/07158W)

NEAR THE VE-CO BORDER SHOW DAMAGE TO THE SINGLE GUARD-
HOUSE AND GRAFITTI LEFT AFTER THE ATTACK. THE LETTERS
"ELN" AND "FRENTE DOMINGO LAIN" ARE CLEARLY SEEN.

2. (U) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ELN
WAS EXTRACTED FROM AN ASSOCIATED PRESS ARTICLE.
DATELINED BOGOTA WHICH APPEARED 22 SEP 83 IN "EL
NACIONAL" OF CARACAS:

A. FROM PRESS CONFERENCE HELD BY GUERRILLAS IN MOUNTAINS
NEAR MEDELLIN, CO:

THE EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (ELN) IS TAKING UP
THE REVOLUTION OF CHE GUEVARA TO "INTERNATIONALIZE THE
PROLETARIAN STRUGGLE AND LIBERALIZE LATIN AMERICA FROM
YANKEE IMPERIALISM AND MAN'S EXPLOITATION OF MAN."
THE CUTIFI ATTACK WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE INTERNATIONALI-
ZATION OF THE ARMED STRUGGLE IN LATIN AMERICA AND WAS
LED BY SPANISH PRIEST DOMINGO LAIN, WHO HAD BEEN
PRESUMED DEAD 10 YEARS AGO.

- <> ONE ELN CONTINGENT WAS TRANSFERRED TO <><>EL SALVADOR<><> TO
REINFORCE THE FMLN AND IS ALSO READY TO DEFEND THE
<> SANDINISTA REVOLUTION IN <><>NICARAGUA<><>.

B. COMMENTS FROM THE COL STATE SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS:
THE ELN IS ONE OF THE SMALLEST GUERRILLA MOVEMENTS IN
CO, WITH MEMBERSHIP NOT REACHING 1000. ACTIVITIES IN
CO HAD BEEN LIMITED TO URBAN TERRORISM AND A FEW
ASSAULTS AND ABDUCTIONS IN RURAL AREAS. THE ELN IS
FAR FROM HAVING THE POWER OF THE OTHER CO GUERRILLA
GROUPS, FARC AND THE M-19, WHICH HAVE NUMBERS ESTIMATED
AT 2000 EACH. THE ELN HAS REJECTED GOVERNMENT AMNESTY
PROPOSALS.

COMMENT: (C) THESE ARE THE FIRST PUBLIC PHOTOS OF
THE INCIDENT. HARD EVIDENCE HAS NOT YET BEEN PRESENTED
WHICH IMPLICATED THE BANDERA ROJA.

PROJ: (U) N/A

COLL: (U) NONE

INSTR: (U) US-NO

PREP:

APPR:

EVAL: (U) NO; REL TO: NONE

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